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TRAFALGAR LEGACIES

Marilyn Meikle '80, Editor



While we will welcome back alumnae through our doors at 3495 Simpson Street this fall, the ornate doors and stone portico now on Dr. Penfield remain a legacy of the first half of the 20th Century. Trafalgar's students and visitors entered daily through these very doors which were located, until 1956, above the school's garden. When the City of Montreal expropriated

the top end of the school's land and building to extend McGregor Street (now Dr. Penfield), the school salvaged these historic doors and relocated them into the northern wall of the 1902 structure as a visual reminder of the past. Over the years, these doors have been used as the backdrop for many photos, and most recently have become the symbol of the 125th Anniversary Campaign.

This past May, some of Traf's "legacy" students gathered at the doors for a casual photo shoot with Kate Fellerath '92 (sister of Sara '96). As the girls talked, they learned that several of their mothers had been in class together; others had aunts who knew each other; and some even had great-grandmothers who had attended Traf. The Advancement Office has made a special effort this year to record Traf family trees like those of the girls in the cover photo. Over the summer, volunteers Emma Butson '14 and Julia Rochford '17 (daughters of Kim Finley '76 and Marilyn Meikle '80), scanned mark books dating back to 1899. Kathy McKnight, mother of Rebecca '06 and Sarah Dowd '09, meticulously transcribed student names from the late 1880s to the 1950s found in leather bound admissions registers. As a result, Database Coordinator Martha Hancock '79 (granddaughter of Dorothy Skaife Phillips '17, daughter of Grace Phillips Hancock '41, and sister of Kate '75 and Emma '81) added 1,026 names to our files, bringing the total of Old Girls in the system to 6,500.

As a symbol, our old doors remind us of other doors Traf has helped open for alumnae, many of whom have gone on to do great things. Included in *The Victory* mailing this year is a special publication, *125 Women of Trafalgar: Scholars & Explorers* which profiles a sampling of these significant Traf women.

As the province's oldest English-language girls school celebrates its 125th anniversary this October, we'll continue to see and discover that Trafalgar's Quebec roots run deep and that Traf's family tree is ever-growing. This September, we welcomed 18 more legacy students, with grad years ranging from 2014 to 2017. I have no doubt that among these students there will be new "Scholars & Explorers" for whom Trafalgar also opens doors.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Geoffrey Dowd

Learners Without Borders



"Any growth requires a temporary loss of security." – Madeline Hunter

This year we twice invited wellknown authors to speak to full assemblies of Traf girls and invited guests. After their general remarks, we opened the floor to questions: these lively exchanges were the

highlight of both events. What I describe is nothing new for our school, but what made these visits by John Green (*Paper Towns*) and Jess Weiner (Life Doesn't Begin 5 Pounds From Now) compelling is that they weren't there, at least in person: both met with us live via Skype and a big-screen. The technology worked, and our interactions were as oddly genuine as they might have been from a podium on our stage.

Along with pencils and protractors, this year's incoming Grade 7 students also have iPads as a key learning tool. This decision, based in part on the success of piloting work done last year, will allow teachers and students to employ the already significant but growing range of "apps" available. These programs, some mundane but many remarkable, open a world of possibility for learning differently. While coincidentally appeasing any local appetites for the newest technology and aligning ourselves with a general direction in education globally, the more real benefit to Traf students is a chance to merge "cool" with "educationally useful."

Conversely, the highly prescriptive courses mandated by Quebec's education ministry (MELS) often limit how teachers can employ useful new technologies, but a critical mass of Traf teachers see the opportunity and are already employing this technology usefully. Digital technology–for better and occasionally worse–is transforming the world, and inevitably educational institutions, too often the least innovative and inertia-bound of worlds.

To paraphrase R.D. Laing, we live in a time where change is so speeded up that we begin to see the present only when it is already disappearing. Is today's "must-have" tablet technology the latest essential tool that will be supplanted soon by whatever's next? Likely so, but in the meantime the relatively low cost, the ubiquity of "smart" technology in the wireless world, and the enormous power of some apps to facilitate authentic learning make this an essential 'iStep', if only a transient one. The challenge we are facing and meeting continues Trafalgar's 125-year tradition of being an important school providing relevant learning in shifting times...good thing we're a nimble young institution.



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On Our Cover - The Legacy Connections Traf roots at a glance - Some current links to the past



Emily Lenet 2013











Ashika Malla 2013



2012

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Megan Stewart-Waywell Grandddaughter of Elizabeth Brown Waywell 1946

Daughter of

Sandra Cappelli-Malla 1981



Jane Ogilvy 1983

Daughter of

1981

Aislinn Mosher

Gillian McLaughlin 2016



Connor-Ann Doke 2015



2013

Elizabeth McLaughlin Niece of

Jane Ogilvy 1981



2011

Cousin of Cousin of Jessica McLaughlin Gillian McLaughlin 2016



Marion Grant Eyton-Jones 1953

Kate Whitmore

2013

Niece of

1981

Linda Cappelli

Great-granddaughter of

Alice Gardner Stewart

1907

Sister of

Niece of

1985

Jessica Mosher

Jessica McLauglin 2011



Niece of Nadia Cappelli 1983

1942

Cousin of

2013

Elizabeth McLaughlin

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Niece of

Patrizia Cappelli

Cousin of Lois Carswell Braidwood





Natasha Nickels 2013



Vanessa Esposito 2015



1920

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Zoe Campbell-Hionis

2014



Great-niece of Joyce Pardo 1956







2011



Niece of Elvira Bracci Schumaker 1981



Gabrielle Dalzell Lavoie





Hana Keightley 2016



Niece of Barbara Outerbridge 1982



Niece of Kathy Kredl McGarvey 1977



1984



1981



Niece of Cathy Outerbridge



Great-granddaughter of































2012

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Stephanie Racicot 2012











Niece of

Alison Carpenter 1986







Sandra Mailloux









2014

Leadership Giving Named Bursaries

The 125th Anniversary Campaign offers opportunities for donors to endow a named bursary (partial or full) that will benefit future students. All named scholarships and bursaries will be granted in perpetuity and will serve as a legacy for the donor and for the school.

The 125th Anniversary Campaign's newest named bursaries:

125th Anniversary Bursary

- The Molson Foundation
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Trafalgar Bursaries

- The Ades Family Bursary
- The Belmer Family Bursary
- The Ellen Bryan Bursary
- The Elaine Bonner Craddock '29 Memorial Scholarship
- The Janet Lewis '76 Bursary
- The France and André
 Desmarais Bursary
- The Sarah Martin '90 Memorial Bursary
- The Meikle Family
 Bursary
- The Margaret Racey Stavert '47 Bursary
- The Alan and Roula Rossy Family Foundation Bursary
- The R. Howard Webster Foundation Bursary
- The Wener Family Bursary



The Open Hearts Open Doors Open Minds campaign to support the Trafalgar School Endowment successfully launched in October 2011. We have met significant milestones and are looking forward to achieving the \$1.25 million mark at the 125th Anniversary Homecoming Reunion in October 2012. With the establishment of the campaign and the planning for the 125th reunion, the legacy of Trafalgar's Old Girls is being rekindled. Stories of Traf's Scholars and Explorers

share the many and significant contributions Old Girls have made to their families, communities and, in fact, the world. We believe the world does indeed need more Traf women, and the Endowment will ensure this for future generations. Our sincerest thanks to those who are contributing to Trafalgar's reputation for excellence, spirit and individuality in a diverse school setting.

Trafalgar School Endowment

125th Anniversary Campaign

Why we're giving to Endowment!

Mike and Lynn Belmer - Alumnae Parents Establishing the Belmer Family Bursary



Stephanie '97, Former Chairman of the Board and proud Traf dad Michael, Chelsea 2008 and Ashley 2000 My wife Lynn and I have been involved with Trafalgar since 1993 when our eldest daughter Stephanie ioined the school. Our two younger daughters, Ashley and Chelsea, soon followed. Lynn was an active parent volunteer from the outset and loved the camaraderie of

the staff and other parents. I got involved at the time of the Capital Campaign helping raise funds for the renovations that were successfully completed four years ago. All of us who were involved felt a great sense of accomplishment. Most importantly, though, was that our daughters thrived at Trafalgar and seldom missed a day. They have now moved on with their education, nonetheless, we feel we can still make a difference to Trafalgar School and have continued to be engaged. We believe a high school dedicated to a young girl's development from adolescence to adulthood is very important and should be supported. It is important both for self-esteem and for an education that coincides with a young lady's natural pace of learning. Lynn and I are proud parents and are happy that we can support Trafalgar's endowment for bursaries.

Janet Lewis '76 - Alumna Establishing the Janet Lewis '76 Bursary



I strongly believe that the career success I have enjoyed has its basis in the excellent education I received at Traf. From strong written and oral communication skills to a solid foundation in math and analytical reasoning, I was very well equipped for both university and my eventual career as an equity analyst, working in New York, Tokyo and now Hong Kong running the Pan-Asia

Industrials Research team for a leading investment bank. My classmates remain scattered around the world, but we

remain in touch more than 35 years after we graduated, testament to our great friendships. My sons attended excellent boarding schools in the US for their secondary education. When we were doing the initial search for the right school, I was strongly biased to find schools that would match the quality of education I received at Traf. I was impressed with the facilities the schools offered, which reflected the generosity of their alumni. I believe my sons also benefited from the diversity of the student body, which benefited from scholarships and financial aid available to students from a variety of socio-economic backgrounds. As a parent, I get frequent financial appeals from both the high schools and universities that my sons have attended, but I believe it is my responsibility to support the school that prepared me so well - Traf - as I am truly grateful to the excellent faculty who taught me (Miss Armbruster, Mrs. Doupe, Mrs. Forbes, Mrs. Ritson, Mrs. Akin - to name but a few).

Irene Meikle - Alumna Parent and Grandparent Marilyn Meikle '80 - Alumna Establishing the Meikle Family Bursaries

Irene Meikle and I have had an affiliation with Trafalgar since she and my late father, Raymond Meikle, enrolled me as a student at Traf in 1975. I am proud to say that our bond with Traf continues to this day. Both my mother and my father were so very proud of what Trafalgar gave to me when I was a student from 1975 to 1980. By supporting two Trafalgar Bursaries two more girls can have the benefit of a Trafalgar education. We feel that this will honour the education that Irene's and Raymond's two granddaughters have had (or will have had – by the time our youngest graduates in 2017). Trafalgar has been more than just my high school and despite the fact that I am the "wordsmith" for the Marketing



Department, there really are no words to describe how much Traf means to our family.

Left to right: Julia Rochford 2017, Kathleen Rochford 2011, Irene Meikle, Marilyn Meikle '80

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Volunteer today as an Alumna or Parent Campaign Ambassador!



Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.

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Come Home to Trafalgar!



Traf grads are based all over the world, living lives as business and financial leaders, lawyers, doctors, researchers, academics, athletes, media stars, performers, musicians, homemakers, small business owners, writers, teachers, and so on. The common denominator for all of us is the gift of a stellar education we received at a school that has, for over a century, offered a broad program of studies and opportunities to girls from a range of communities and cultures.

As Co-Chairs of the 125th Celebration Committee we are determined to bring as many Old Girls as we can back to Montreal to celebrate these women's achivements, the education Trafalgar continues to provide, and to honour the close friendships that flourished at our school.

Truly one of the best things about working on the 125th Celebration Committee has been the opportunity to reconnect with Traf friends, not just from our own grade, but from other grades as well.

It is through our work on this committee that we have become good friends (despite the difference in grad years!). Who knew that a very un-athletic theatre lover from the class of '83 would connect so well with a sports star from '85? Maybe it was through House Plays, sports, or Band & Choir but Traf friendships often crossed grades. It is our goal to help you re-connect with all your Traf friends!

As part of Homecoming Weekend, we've got a great itinerary planned for Saturday, October 20. Join us for tours of the school and a House Carnival at Traf followed by cocktails and dinner at the St. James Club and a late-night after-party, in true Montreal style, at "Newtown" on Crescent Street.

We don't know about the rest of you, but we find that the years are moving quickly now. Come back to Montreal to revisit old friendships - and build new ones.

> Aislinn Mosher '83 Christina Nacos '85

Distinguished Alumna 2012 Caryl Churchill '55

Playwright Caryl Churchill '55 has been named the Distinguished Alumna for 2012 and will be honored at the Montreal Reunion Dinner on October 20. Caryl attended Traf from 1948-1955. She was Prefect (Cumming House Head), Literary Editor of *Echoes*, and the winner of both The Cumming Prize for outstanding work, loyalty and public spirit, and The Bryan Prize for Creative Writing. Her plays have been performed from London to Broadway, from the Shaw Festival to Winnipeg's Master Playwright Festival. Her play, *Top Girls*, was named to the National Theatre Millenium List of the Hundred Best Plays of the Twentieth



Century (Britain). Caryl's latest play, *Love* and *Information* opens London's Royal Court Theater in September 2012 and is described by *The Guardian* as "a major cultural event". Caryl resides with her family in London, England.

Theatre credits:

Owners, Traps, Light Shining in Buckinghamshire, Vinegar Tom, Cloud Nine, Top Girls, Fen, Serious Money, Icecream, The Skriker, Mad Forest, Blue Heart, This is a Chair, Far Away, A Number, Drunk Enough to Say I Love You?, Seven Jewish Children

Music Theatre credits:

Lives of the Great Poisoners, Hotel, A Ring a Lamp a Thing (all with Orlando Gough)

Distinguished Alumna Recipients:

- 2011 Lynne Echenberg '89, Public Service Lawyer
- 2010 Dr. Ruth Simons '75, Palliative Care Physician and Educator
- 2009 Rhona and Rhoda Wurtele '40, Olympic Skiing Pioneers
- 2008 Anne Wood '76, International Relief Worker
- 2007 Cathy Ferguson Burrows '75, Bank Marketing and Information Pioneer

What's on Your Bucket List? Make 2013 Your Year for Adventure!

Traf Trek to Mt. Kilimanjaro - 125th Anniversary Adventure All-Women 7-day Climb and 3-day Safari – June 22 - July 4, 2013 To benefit the Trafalgar School Endowment, the Kakuma Project and forgirlsake

Shape Your Life Canada will take Traf alumnae, staff and friends on a trip of a lifetime. Reach the summit of Mt. Kilimanjaro and open hearts, minds and doors for future students at Traf and at the only girls high school in the Kakuma Refugee Camp, Kenya. Traf alumnae are paying it forward. Together we can make a difference at home and around the world.



What Are You Waiting For? Join the Climb or Donate Today! Contact: Leader - Sunniva Sorby (514) 588-3931, polartrek@aol.com, or Sharon Cozens (514) 935-2644 x 237, cozens@trafalgar.qc.ca.



Trafalgar School for Girls cordially invites you to attend the
125th Anniversary Homecoming Weekend
Annual Old Girls' Reunion & Trafalgar Day
Friday, October 19 - Sunday, October 21, 2012 Join Traf alumnae, staff and former staff to celebrate the 125th anniversary of Trafalgar School!
Old Girls from all years, from around the globe, are invited to come celebrate. Those whose graduating year ends in "2" or "7" are reaching Traf milestones!
Please refer to the Traf's website (Alumnae/125th Anniversary Homecoming) for details of all events. Registration
Register on our web site at trafalgar.qc.ca or complete the form below and mail to Christina Marie Phelps
at Trafalgar School for Girls, 3495 Simpson St., Montreal, Quebec H3G 2J7, or call (514) 935-2644 x 219.
I will attend (please check all that apply):
Oct. 19th Coffee Hour at 9 a.m. Traf Ross Lecture at 10 a.m. Speaker - Sheila Fraser, Canada's first female Auditor General (2001-2011)
Staff Tea at 2 p.m. (a staff-only reunion)
Guests' Names: (Complimentary)
Oct. 20th 🗌 Tours & House Carnival 10 a.m 2 p.m. (drop-in). I'm in House.
Guests' Names: (Complimentary)
Reunion Reception and Dinner at the St. James Club (6 p.m 10 p.m.). 2012 Distinguished Alumna Award Presentation to Caryl Churchill '55. Celebration of the 125 Women of Trafalgar Scholars and Explorers.
Guests' Names (\$125 each):
10:30 p.m. The After-Party at Newtown
Guests' Names (\$20 each includes complimentary drink)
Oct. 21st Service at the Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul at 11:00 a.m.
Guests' Names
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Total Payment:
Method of Payment (circle one): Master Card / Visa / Cheque enclosed (payable to Trafalgar School)
Name on Credit Card
Credit Card Number: Expiry Date:
Register Online Today!

125 Years...Let's Celebrate!



Sharon Cozens Director of Advancement

It's funny how one becomes reflective when an anniversary or significant birthday approaches. 'Where has the time gone? What have I accomplished?" Having celebrated a "big" birthday this year...okay, 50, if you must know, I found myself asking these same questions.

In the year leading up to Trafalgar's anniversary, I've learned a lot about what Traf has accomplished in 125 years. The Trafalgar community has been busy sharing stories about the school's history and, as a result, Montreal's too. To me, the best stories are about the people - those who have contributed to make Traf what it is today. The lore and legends abound and you will get a glimpse of them in the 125 Women of Trafalgar – Scholars and Explorers issue.

In this issue of Victory, we read the next chapter of Traf's history. Those who contribute today (academically, voluntarily, or financially) are as essential as yesterday's founding fathers, first students, families and teachers. It's a wonderful story to continue telling and we are all lucky to be part of it!

I invite you all to celebrate Traf's beginnings and our 125-years' worth of accomplishments. Commemorate this milestone in some way: attend the Trafalgar Ross Lecture, the Homecoming Weekend, or the 125th Anniversary Gala. Continue the tradition of giving back to Traf by volunteering or donating. If you're feeling ambitious, join me, Traf alumnae, and friends on the Traf Trek to Kilimanjaro in June. At the very least, be sure to sing Happy Birthday to Traf on October 21!

Trafalgar Day & TOGA Reunion 2011

Traf welcomed 100 alumnae and former staff back to celebrate the school's 124th anniversary on October 21. The day began with the annual Trafalgar-Ross Lecture and ended with the Alumnae Cocktail and Dinner, attended by Old advocate. Lynne's passionate acceptance Girls from around the world.

Svlvie Fréchette, Olympic champion synchronized swimmer, businesswoman, Cirque du Soleil choreographer, author (A chacun son podium), wife, mother and a woman who, as Sylvie says, "lives outside the box" was the Trafalgar Ross speaker. Sylvie's honest, humorous, and straightforward delivery captured the attention of audience members of all ages and inspired all to reach for their goals whatever they may be.

That evening, prior to cocktails, Old Girls toured the school with current students who couldn't believe that phys ed. classes of the past were held in what is now the library. Old Girls who hadn't been back to the school in many years were surprised to learn that their "common room" is now a high-tech computer lab.

Libby Tighe Crombie '61 led Old Girls in a

toast to Traf as the evening continued with a buffet dinner and the presentation of the 2011 Distinguished Alumna Award to Lynne Echenberg '89, a lawyer and adolescent rights speech made it clear that Traf had an impact on her career and on the lives of those she serves. Here is an excerpt:

"I have thought about Traf a lot in my professional life and, in many ways, have sought to recreate it for the young people I have served for the last 14 years. Traf fostered a sense of community, compassion, belonging and safety that enabled us to take risks and dream big. I thought my experience was normative. When I stumbled upon my first job in the child welfare system in New York City, I was shaken to my core to learn how an entire generation of young people were growing up with the very opposite set of experiences. Meeting these young people created in me a sense of urgency and purpose and responsibility that was palpable. It wouldn't leave me alone. I thought about it all the time...It sent me to law school and then to the Juvenile Rights Division of the Legal Aid Society where I represented young

people in foster care in the Bronx. Through my endless conversations with clients and colleagues, I started forming the idea of an intervention for my clients. lt wasn't rocket science—it was safety and stability and opportunity to experiment, to try and fail, to

learn and grown, to

triumph and make mistakes, all while receiving unconditional support and encouragementthe experience many of us took for granted at Trafalgar."

The evening concluded with class photos of anniversary years (see page 9) and as alumnae left the Simpson Street doors there was animated talk of reuniting in 2012 for Traf's 125th Homecoming celebrations.



Principal Dowd with Sylvie Fréchette and Head Girl Olivia Gutherz



Libby Tighe Crombie '61 leads a toast to Trafalgar



Annual TOGA Reunion 2011



Class of '51 - 60th



Class of '56 - 55th

Class of '61 - 50th



Class of '66 - 45th Class of '71 - 40th



Class of '81 - 30th



Class of '86 - 25th



Class of '91 - 20th

Class of '96 - 15th

Class of 2006 - 5th



Welcome to TOGA - Class of 2012

On June 7, the Class of 2012 donned the most stylish of "togas" - a tradition started by the grads of 2011 - and arrived in the cafeteria for the "Welcome to TOGA" event. Armed with coloured Sharpies, the girls wrote messages on one another's white blouses and reminisced about their years as Trafites. After officially being welcomed to the ranks of the Old Girls, their graduation cake was cut, tears were mixed with laughter, hugs abounded, and photos appeared on Facebook before the girls were home for dinner! Grads 2012 LIKE!

Class of 2012 Reps, left to right: Emily Dias-Geoffroy, Olivia Gutherz and Sam Maurovich.

Message from the TOGA President "Paying it Forward"



This year has been a great one for TOGA. We've seen many Old Girls reconnect through the TOGA Board, through planning for Traf's upcoming 125th anniversary celebrations, and at the Montreal Reunion and Chapter events. As well, Old

Girls have been involved as coaches, judges, guests speakers, and tutors. Traf is lucky to have such willing volunteers share their expertise with current students, lend a hand to a former teacher, or help out with meaningful projects.

This spring, I had the privilege of co-judging this year's Youth in Philanthropy Initiative competition which saw an award of \$5,000 go to the winning Grade 10 team's chosen nonprofit organization. Co-judge **Tricia Pepper '87** and I were so impressed by the quality of the presentations, the knowledge of the students, and, the ease and clarity with which they spoke. Their speeches, their quest to share what they learned about local charities, and their desire to win funding for them made us think, "Wow, our Grade 10 class was never like this!"

The contributions made by members of TOGA this year have been invaluable and we'd like to continue to increase Old Girls' involvement back at Traf. If you'd like to get involved in any way please let us know.

In this anniversary year, let's think like the Grade 10s and raise funds for a non-profit we all know and love...Traf! Old Girls are doing amazing things around the world and I appreciate Traf for all it has given me. I'm sure you do too and will "pay it forward" in some way!

Erin Bresnahan '96

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TOGA Chapter Reunions

Trafalgar alumnae can be found worldwide. The Advancement Office is pleased to assist Old Girls in organizing Chapter Reunions. Contact Sharon Cozens, Director of Advancement to get those in your area together to meet, network, and share your common bond.

October 2011 - Traf Tea

An intimate tea was held for our more senior TOGA members on a sunny autumn afternoon. The ladies reminisced about tunics, oxfords, Miss Lucy Box and the Grand March. Although not all pictured, the following ladies attended: *Place Kensington Residents*: Faith Lyman Feindel '37 (and daughter Anna Feindel '76), Grace Phillips Hancock '41 (and daughter Martha Hancock '79), Valerie



Ker McRobie '37, Peggy-Jean Ross Thomas '44; *Neighbours and Friends:* Jean Donnelly Connolly '40, Claire Johnson Fraser '45, Elizabeth Bennett Lewis '45, Nan Carlin '52.

November 2011 - Toronto Networking Lunch

Cathy Ferguson Burrows '75' was our host at the new RBC Center. Old Girls in a variety of careers, from finance to media and from global institutions to grass roots enterprises, had an opportunity to connect and expand their professional circles. Save the date of April 12, 2013 for next year's lunch.





Co-Chair of the 125th Endowment Campaign, Dean Proctor, in conversation with TOGA members.

February 2012 Sydney, Australia Lunch

Donna Templeton (former staff) had lunch with Martha MacLaurin '90 (left) and Dana Spence '79 (right) while on holiday in Australia.





Left to Right: Carmel Jacobson 2006, Principal Dowd, Erin Fordyce 2002.

May, 2012, Ottawa Chapter Potluck

Jennifer Quaid '87 graciously opened her home once again for the Ottawa reunion. TOGA members and former staff gathered for cocktails and conversation and to hear about plans for Trafalgar's 125th celebrations.

April, 2012 - Toronto Cocktail Old Girls were welcomed at School Bakery and Café by Principal Geoff Dowd.



RÉSEAU DU PATRIMOINE ANGLOPHONE DU QUÉBEC RPAQ

Trafalgar School and the Quebec Anglophone Heritage Network

Thanks to Janet Chandler Allingham '68, Trafalgar's history will be shared with an even wider audience. Janet has worked diligently since last year condensing Margaret Gillett's book *Traf:* A History of *Trafalgar School for Girls* and updating it to include more recent history for a magazine article that will appear in the Quebec Anglophone Heritage Network's upcoming issue of the *Quebec Heritage News*. QAHN recognized the important role the school has played in the education of women and offered to run a feature on Trafalgar. A watercolour by French teacher Mlle Juge (who taught from 1921-1950) depicting the original school buildings will be included. The complete article will be posted on the Trafalgar website once the print edition has been released.



Capturing Trafalgar's Archives



1915 Hockey at Traf



Co-Chairs of the 125th Celebration Committee, Aislinn Mosher '83 (*left*) and Christina Nacos '85 (*right*) spent an evening photographing items in Traf's archive room. Many of the actual items will be on display during the Homecoming tours on Saturday, October 20. Here is a sampling of what they found.



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1986 Raising The Roof



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1889-1890 Student Timetable

Note of Thanks

Trafalgar appreciates the work of the Archives Committee members (parents and Old Girls) who organized and computerized hundreds of documents and photos in anticipation of the 125th celebrations: Brenda Callahan, Chareen Dias, Kathy Feig '72, Jill Gardiner Rollins '64, and Christine Laberge.

Alumnae NEWS

1900's



Our thanks to Ken McMillan for sharing some Traf history with us. In February Ken wrote: "My grandmother Marjorie Sutherland Henderson was a student at Trafalgar from 1905 to 1906 and I'm fortunate to have her diary and scrapbook from her time there. As part of my interest in genealogy I have just completed a short biography about my grandmother on our website which includes a page on her Trafalgar days. I thought the school might be interested." hardtocomeby.com/Marjorie-Henderson.php

1960's

Hilary MacLeod '60, author of *The Shores Mystery Series*, released her newest book *Mind Over Mussels* in the fall of 2011 and donated a copy to Traf's library. Her first book, *Revenge of the Lobster Lover* won a CBC Bookie for Best Mystery in 2011.

Nancy Hughes Anthony '66 is the newest member of the HSBC Bank Canada board. She was previously the president and chief executive officer of the Canadian Bankers Association and retired this spring.

1970's



En route to the Toronto Networking Lunch, Director of Advancement Sharon Cozens bumped into **Marie-Anne Erki '75** (from Kingston). Marie Anne was at a university reunion of her engineering classmates from U of T. Marie-Anne was one of four women in her class back in the 80s.

Anne Kmetyo '79 photographed the participants in the Recipes to Riches TV show on the Food Network that took place in the fall of 2011.

1980's

Jody Foster '80, Marilyn Meikle '80, Aislinn Mosher '83, Christina Nacos '85, Katie Rochford 2011 and Traf's incoming soccer coach Anitra Bostock paddled in the Cedars CanSupport Dragon Boat Race on September 22. Christina's new resto-boutique Fou d'ICI was the primary sponsor of the team's boat.

Gabrielle Achermann '81 is an archaeologist. She holds a BA from Concordia University in Anthropology and is working on her MA in Historical Archaeology at Memorial University of Newfoundland, studying the French presence on Newfoundland's Great Northern Peninsula. Gabrielle plans to do her PhD on African-American slavery in Canada. She and her fiancé Chris live in St. John's with their pug Riley.

Lola Sheppard '88 was awarded the Young Architect Award from Architecture Canada. In choosing Lola, the Jury said she is "a talented architect, design leader, and influential educator whose work is contributing to larger societal concerns, going well beyond the bounds of traditional architectural practice. Her work is refreshingly curious and exploratory, and her firm's work on cold climate design and food networks is important and ground-breaking."

Kristin McNeil '89 is Editor of the Westmount Independent.

Marjorie Sutherland Henderson Trafalgar '08

Here is an excerpt from Marjorie's diary: "Tuesday, September 12, 1905 -

Got up about 8. After breakfast Aunt Margaret and I went up to Trafalgar. Met Miss Fairley and I just love her, also met Miss Samuel and I think she is a dear. Saw my room and unpacked some of my things. Met some of the girls in my dormitory: Ethel Malcolm my next door neighbor, from Edmundston, New Brunswick; Gertrude Stevens - Waterloo, Quebec; Constance Plimley, Hudson Heights, Quebec and Olive McLennan from Vancouver. Also met Miss Brown, Miss Wisdom and Miss Wales, the teachers. Fooled around for a while and then went to bed."



Clockwise from rear-left: Ethel Greig, Jessie Scott, Ellen Stevens, Fay Cummings, Marjorie Sutherland, Zeta Meyers and Bessie McKeough on Mount Royal.

1990's

Karina Huber '90 is a freelance business reporter and fill-in anchor for CNN International and CCTV. In April she interviewed Sir Richard Branson. Says Karina, "He was charming, funny, very relaxed and came with no entourage."



Members of the **Class of '91** recently got together in Florida. "We had loads of fun in South Beach."



From L to R - Christine Jabal, Natalie Ogura, Joanna Kubow, Marianne Homsy, and Karine Perez.

Deborah Golberg '91 and husband Scott Broadbent welcomed son Jason Elliot born on September 16, 2011.



Congratulations to Karyn Saragossi Lassner '91 and co-chair Kirsten Stern for their involvement in the May 31, 2012 ABC Ball for The Montreal Children's Hospital raising an unprecedented \$1,050,000.

Annick Gillard '95 had a good reason for not attending the Toronto Chapter reunion in April, she had just had a baby. Alejandro Bailetti Gillard was born in Toronto on Mar. 13, 2012 weighing in at 7lb 14oz. Writes Annick, "My husband Marco and I are totally enamoured with our new little one!"



Nilima Gulrajani '95 is living in London, England and wrote to say, "The big news is I had a baby boy in August 2011. His name is Devan Surtani."

Karen Tam '95 is in her last year of her PhD, "still loving and living in London."

TOGA President **Erin Bresnahan '96** married Dave de Koos on May 20, 2012 in Montreal. **Meghann Cundall '96** stood as her Maid of Honour.



Robyn Stroll '96 writes, "I am thrilled to announce the birth of my son, Leo Mackenzie Hermann-Stroll, born December 5, 2011. He's bright, curious and friendly with everyone."



Sandhya Srivastava Kapila '96 and her husband Kush welcomed their son Shiv in April, 2011.

Lisa McConnell '98 is part of a trio that owns Nora Gray Restaurant in Montreal's Griffintown. A review on Notable.ca says, "What takes Nora Gray to the next level is that not only does the food rock, but the vibe is just as hot, and this is thanks to Lisa's talent and vision."

Sarah Halton '98 and Steven Kunitzky welcomed the arrival of their daughter, Lia, on September 10, 2011.



Lindsay Hollinger '98 and husband Jason Retter welcomed baby Jackson into the world on Feburary 6, 2012.



Tegan Webster '98 gave birth to a baby daughter, Leah, on August 17, 2011. Proud dad is Charlie Flicker.



2000's

Katherine Wagner 2009 has completed her first year of a Joint Honours Degree in Economics and Accounting with a minor in the Environment at McGill. She was on the Dean's Honour List and won the German Embassy Prize. Katherine was invited through McGill to attend a dinner hosted by Power Corporation on the occasion of The International Forum for the Americas/Conference of Montreal. The speaker was the governor of the Bank of France, Christian Noyer.

Meghan Lackenbauer 2001, currently a producer at MTV Canada, worked in production as a Sports Suite Associate Director at Canada's Olympic Broadcast Media Consortium at the London 2012 Summer Olympics.

Supriya Dwivedi 2002 is a law student at the Université de Montréal and a research assistant at the Centre of Genomics and Policy at McGill University, as well as a blogger for the *Huffington Post*.

Katarina Daniels 2004 has completed the MLIS program at McGill University for which she was a stagiaire at the Trafalgar and Selwyn House School libraries and plans to enter McGill Law in September 2012.

Melanie Walter 2005 graduated in May 2012 with a degree from Ryerson University in Interior Design and is now working for Westparks+Associates. Aside from design work, Melanie has also created the firm's blog. Says Melanie, "We design mostly corporate interiors, but also do some healthcare as well as retirement/assisted living/long-term care facilities. I'm really enjoying it!



Melanie with her parents Ian Walter and Judy Sabiston at graduation.

Mindy Amar 2006 graduated from the University of Ottawa in 2011 in Law. She is now taking her Masters at the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law in New York City and will return to Montreal in the fall 2012.



Rebecca Dowd 2006 graduated with a Bachelor of Music from McGill University in June 2012 and will begin her Master of Music degree in Early Music (voice) at McGill in the fall.

Rebecca on convocation day on the steps of the Strathcona Music Building. **Talia Erdan 2007** will complete her Bachelors Degree in Physiotherapy at McGill University in 2013. She spent most of the summer of 2012 in Peru as a physio volunteer in Urubamba working with handicapped children and adults. Talia continues to volunteer for both McGill Basketball teams as a physio and she is president of POTUS, their student association.

Anna McGaughey

2007 graduated in May 2012 from Dalhousie and the University of King's College, Halifax, with an Honours Bachelor of Arts in European Studies. She will be spending next year in France working in a primary school as an English teaching assistant.



Anna (centre) with sisters Clara 2010 and Katrina 2014



Lauren at the McGill Debating Union Opening of House

Kierstin Lundell Smith 2007 graduated from Princeton University in 2012 and will study law at McGill University this September.

Cassia Napier 2007 graduated from McGill University's faculty of Management in June 2012.

Tessa Soltendieck 2007 graduated from McGill University in June 2012 with a Bachelor's degree in Psychology.

Emily (Dora) Scharf-Pierzchala 2007 graduated from McGill University in June 2012 with a Bachelor's degree in Sociology.

Suzi Erdan 2008 is in her final year of Management at McGill University.

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Lauren Shadley 2007 graduated from McGill University in June 2012 with a BA in Political Science and a minor in Psychology and begins law school at Université de Montréal in August. Lauren was President of the McGill University Debating Union from 2011-2012 and also coached Trafalgar's debating team with Katie Rochford 2011. Alexandra Nunes 2008 is at the University of Ottawa in the Civil Law Program while simultaneously completing a degree in Honours International Development and Globalization. Aly was the Philanthropy Chair of the Zeta Theta Xi Sisterhood and is the incoming President. She recently welcomed Caitlin Tessler 2008 into the sorority.

Barbara Paiva 2008 visited Traf in December 2011. She is now studying Psychology at the Universidade Federal do Espirito Santo (UFES) in Brazil.

Carolyn Hamilton 2009 is studying Sociology and Interdisciplinary Studies of Sexuality at Concordia University and during her summers works to complete her naval training. She completed her Basic Military Qualification (BMQ) and this past summer was a Naval Combat Information Officer. Her rank is Ordinary Seaman and her next course is Environmental Training. In the summer of 2013 she will be posted to a ship to put her training into action.



Elise Dedekam 2010 graduated from Marianopolis College and is at McGill University completing a double major in International Development and Economics.

Leyla Erdan 2010 graduated from John Abbott College and now attends McGill University in Management. Leyla was an Honour Roll student throughout CEGEP while continuing to play varsity basketball.

Julia Lighter 2010 graduated from Marianopolis College and is attending Wesleyan University in Connecticut.

Alexa MacLean 2010 graduated from Marianopolis College and is at McGill University completing a double major in Political Science and History.

Clara McGaughey 2010 graduated from Marianopolis College in the Arts and Sciences Program, and will be attending the University of King's College (Foundation Year Program) this fall.

Jenna Omassi 2010 was President of the Marianopolis Model United Nations Club and was awarded the Lieutenant Governor's Award and the Douglas Howes Student Life Award upon graduation. She will continue her studies at the University of British Columbia. Lesley Rosen 2010 is attending Orange County College in California.

Alison Walter 2010 is studying Arts and Culture at Dawson College and worked as a camp counsellor at Camp Kanawana this summer.



Melanie 2005 with sister Alison 2010

In Memoriam

Jean Peters White Dupont '27, July 2011. Mother of Norah Louise Dupont Dryver '60 and Harriet Dupont Cunynghame '60. Grandmother of Ann Marie Cunynghame '96 and Tania Cunynghame 2000.

Lois Cameron Gurd '35, May 2011. Sister of the late Mary Cameron '37.

Barbara Ward Harvie '36, January 6, 2012. Sister-in-law of Jean Harvie '31, former Principal.

Kathleen (Kay) Putnam MacLeod '36, April 13, 2012.

Madeleine Parent '36, March 12, 2012. A Quebec trade union activist and feminist, she is best remembered for organizing textile workers in the 1940s. Heather Campbell Seybold '39, December 12, 2011.

Lorraine Fee Murray '39, December 19, 2011.

Marie Oliver Lloyd-Smith '39, April 17, 2012. Mother of Wendy Lloyd-Smith '64.

Patsy Scott Capreole '43, October 4, 2011.

Beverley Stewart Bryant '44, November 23, 2011.

Marilyn Spencer Cuttle '46, October 25, 2011. Sister of Peggy Spencer Blaiklock '50 and sister-in-law of Kathleen Barr Spencer '53.

Carol Armour Mahtab '52, January 2012.

Alice Paton Greaney '52, August 9, 2011. Sister of Marleigh Paton '48, mother of Marleigh Greaney '92.

Carolyn Scott Jamison '53, February 2011.

Gail McKenzie Peacock '56, September 2, 2011.

Lorraine Froom Campbell '60, January 22, 2012. Sister of Sharon Froom '61.

Sharon Wolstenholme Todd '60, November 28, 1996.

Kate Asch '87, December 3, 2011.

The 3rd Annual Trafalgar Open Golf Tournament

More than \$42,000 was raised at the school's annual golf tournament held May 31, 2012. Proceeds were directed to Trafalgar's Bursary Fund and classroom refurbishments and a cheque for \$3,500 was presented to the Montreal Fluency Centre.

The success of The Trafalgar Open is due to our generous sponsors, donors, and volunteers whose dedication ensures our golfers and guests enjoy themselves on and off the links. Our thanks to Club de Golf Métropolitain Anjou, and co-chairs/Traf dads Mark Aziz, Mario Di Lillo and Louis Laflamme (pictured at centre).



3rd Annual Trafalgar Open Champions L to R: Robert Spector, Jason Katz, Jeffrey Zemel, and Robert Blatt



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Andrew Carter, CJAD Radio 800 – Emcee Joey Elias – Auctioneer

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Save the date and join us next year:

Thursday, May 30, 2013



AWARDS & DISTINCTIONS

The Lieutenant Governor's Bronze Medal



This medal is awarded annually to a student who has surpassed expectations in serving the wider community directly and by personal example. Cassie Jones, Sec. V, received her medal directly from the Hon. Pierre Duschene at a ceremony in May 2012. Principal Dowd noted in the nomination form, "Cassie has been purposefully involved in a

long list of noteworthy activities: Barclay House prefect, co-editor of *Traf Trash* (the school's e-zine), past yearbook editor, World School delegate to Italy, environmental activist, official blogger for the World Wildlife Fund, Arctic traveller and founding member of the Youth Arctic Council, and volunteer at Elizabeth House, Splash and Dash, Free the Children, and the Native Women's Shelter, among other organizations." Cassie was also awarded the **Janette C. Doupe Medal** at Trafalgar's graduation ceremonies. Originally presented by the Student Council of Trafalgar School in 1985, the medal is awarded to a student who has brought honour to the school through a noteworthy achievement.

Montreal Community Cares Award



Miya making her acceptance speech while Principal Dowd looks on.

Miya Kagan-Cassidy, Sec. V, was awarded the 2012 Student-Athlete Award on June 16 at the Montreal Community Cares Awards Gala. Principal Geoff Dowd made the presentation of the award and attendees learned that Miya maintained a 90% average while playing on Traf's basketball team as well as the Dawson Community Blues AAA and AA basketball teams. Along with balancing her academic and athletic

schedules, Miya spent many hours volunteering at the Dawson Community Blues tutoring program, the St. Raymond's seniors' residence and the Tyndale St-Georges Community Centre. At Traf, Miya was a member of the Girls for the Cure committee to raise funds for women-related cancers. Miya will attend Dawson College in Psychology while continuing to pursue her passion for basketball and community work.

Mathematics Competitions

Canadian National Mathematics League Competition First Place at Trafalgar: Grade 7: Christiane-Marie Cantwell & Talia McGourdji (tie) Grade 8: Katelyn Downey & Victoria Crisp-Villanueva (tie)

Gauss Competition First Place at Trafalgar: Grade 7: Talya Diner Grade 8: Katelyn Downey

Grade 9 - Pascal Competition First Place at Trafalgar: Emily Schwartzman National Honour Roll; Ranked in the top 1% of 22,486 competitors Grade 10 - Cayley Competition First Place at Trafalgar: Lin Zhao Ranked in the top 10% of 17,298 competitors

Grade 11 - Fermat Competition First Place at Trafalgar: Weici Qin National Honour Roll; Ranked in the top 0.3% of 14,663 competitors

Grade 12 - Euclid Competition First Place at Trafalgar: Weici Qin



Record Win for Sportsmanship:

Over 70% of our students participated in one or more team sports this year with several teams and individuals contending for league honours. Although Trafalgar claimed no championships, the school was proud to be presented with its 10th GMAA Sportsmanship banner, the GMAA's highest award.

House spirit

Traf's Running Tigers were kept busy this year and it was a photo finish!



News of the winning house was kept secret until the Inter-House Shield was presented to Cumming House at the School Closing ceremonies in June. House Head Vanessa Moman and House mom Lena Kwiatek accepted the award on behalf of all Cummingites who earned a total of 5125 points.



Certificates were presented to the top individual house point earners in each grade:

Sec I: Annabel Gutherz, 276 points, Cumming Sec. II: Katelyn Downey, 225 points, Cumming Sec. IV: Jillian Simpson, 220 points, Barclay Sec. V: Lori Dalkin, 305 points, Donald



This year's winner of the Lucille Robert Cup, presented to the student in Sec. I - IV earning the most individual house points through academics, athletics, and school activities was Christina Wagner, Sec. III, who earned 336 individual points for Barclay House.

Congratulations to House Head Claire Kelly and Fairley House who won House Volleyball in December. Following this friendly inter-house activity home-made cupcakes iced in house colours were served, so everyone was a winner!



The 2012 House Play theme was "Fairy Tales". Class of 2007 alumnae judges Talia Erdan, Danielle Fagen, Dora Scharf-Pierzchala, Tessa Soltendieck and Lauren Shadley agreed that all plays were outstanding. The Walker Cup was awarded to Lori Dalkin, *Donald House Head*, for their production of Ms. *Allison in Wonderland*.





Donald House was also the winner of Field Day held at Murray Hill Park.

ARTS at Traf



A Midsummer Night's Dream Trafalgar's stage came alive in November with sprites and fairies as Old Girl Michelle Heisler '88 returned to Trafalgar to direct the Junior Players in the abridged version of Shakespeare's most beloved comedy, A Midsummer Night's Dream.





Arts Fest 2012

Trafalgar's biennial arts festival took place May 14-18. Each day featured a presentation or performance involving students or invited guests including the Arashi Daiko Japanese Drummers. The theme this year was *Rhythm on the Street*. Presentations were made during extended assemblies by tap dancers, a clarinet duo and even a skateboard videographer.

Traf's Senior Players opened the festival when they portrayed familiar roles with original interpretations, in *The Wizard Of* Oz. A wandering ukulele player serenaded the audience and tied the scenes together. Drama teacher and Director Maria Violini brought out the best in everyone involved.



Traf's Short-Short Story Contest winners were announced during the week's assemblies and

the winning stories were read aloud. Both staff and students submit entries for the competition.

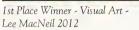
First Place Winners:

Junior:	Sophie Hillcoat, Hear Me Whisper
Intermediate:	Christina Wagner,
	Remember the Night the Dagger Sank
Senior:	Lee MacNeil, Your Harsh Words,
	Your Harsh Hands
Staff:	David Pelletier, Sisterly Bond

Art, Photography and Music

Student artists submitted their 2D visual art and photography for a vernissage that coincided with the Spring Concert during which the Choir and the Junior and Senior Bands performed. It was an opportunity to congratulate the Choir and Senior Band who had recently returned with Gold medals from the Boston Music Festival competition.





Arts Fest 2012 concluded with a second performance by the Senior Players. The audience was mesmerized by the dramatic intensity of the actors in *Cagebirds*. A polar opposite of the light-hearted *Wizard of Oz*, this play challenged the actors to deal with the dark side of humanity. A standing ovation was their reward. Director Maria Violini's work with the students led to one of Trafalgar's best dramatic production in recent years.



First Place Winner - Photography - Zoë Freedman



ANNUAL EVENTS

Community Service

Our Community Service program at Traf sees all Grade 9-11 students contributing a minimum of fifteen hours to a community organization of their choice. Many girls work well in excess of this as can be seen by the tally of hours recorded in their Community Service Passports. Earth Week in April raising projects inclu-



For the fifth year, Traf participated in the Youth Philanthropy Initiative program sponsored by the Toscan-Casale Foundation. A group of three Sec. IV girls, Isabelle Mazerolle, Emily Michelin, and Lauren Gentile won a \$5,000 award for their advocated local charity, Women Aware, a resource and shelter for women in abusive situations.



Among many other projects throughout the year, Traf students, staff, and families again supplied holiday baskets in December for families in Park Extension. They were also directly involved in the 16th annual Girls for the Cure walk in support of research and treatment of women's cancers at St. Mary's Hospital. Trafalgar started this initiative and is proud that it continues to this day raising thousands of dollars annually.

During the March break six students from Sec. V traveled to the Dominican Republic working **336** *Hours* to improve the lives of those less fortunate. In the months leading up to their trip the group raised funds and gathered school and medical supplies to bring with them. Their presentation to the students upon their return proved that it was a life-changing experience.

Earth Week in April featured various awarenessraising projects including our annual curbside cleanup. This is most appreciated by our downtown neighbours who often stop to thank our students. A group of students also gave up their Sunday to plant trees on Mount Royal with Les amis de la montagne.







Trafalgar was honoured as a "Success Story" by the Montreal Canadien Children's Foundation. Over \$1,000 was raised as a result of Habs Night held at Traf in April. Congratulations to Head Girl Olivia Gutherz and her leadership team.

The Duke of Edinburgh Awards – an international program encouraging leadership, adventure, and citizenship for students fifteen years and older – has been in place at Traf for several years and continues to thrive. Bronze medals were presented at school closing ceremonies to Danielle Hussain (Sec. IV) and Christina Wagner (Sec. III).

Mother & Daughter BBQ

The 2011-2012 school year began in a wonderful way with the fun-filled Mother-Daughter BBQ following the annual Girls for the Cure Walk. A little rain didn't dampen anyone's spirits. Activities were moved into the 'cafeteria while the dads braved the elements and manned the BBQs in the garden. Many thanks to all the volunteer dads and moms, students and Traf staff who helped make the event a success.





Career Day 2012

Grade 9-11

students had

to a vast array

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Girls, parents

us March 30.

and friends of the

school who joined

Keynote speaker

Andrea Fox '95

spoke about her

varied career and

world of exciting

possibilities thanks

their eyes opened



Chris-Ann Nakis '74 and Jody Cohen '04

how her interest in international relations took her to Europe. She started her own company, Fox Consulting and is also the Commercial Director at Neomedis, a company in which she is part owner. During her presentation to the students Andrea encouraged the girls to listen to their "own voice", follow their instincts, and believe in themselves. Said Andrea, "The key to success is believing in who you are and what you do because if you aren't convinced then you'll never be able to convince anyone else!".

Father & Daughter Breakfast

Traf hosted its 7th Annual Father and Daughter Breakfast on a snowy November morning. Guest speakers Bill Brownstein, parent of Lauren '98 and author of *Schwartz's Hebrew Delicatessen: The Story*, and comedic duo and playwrights George Bowser and Rick Blue, regaled the audience with stories of developing the book into the successful musical. A bonus was the performance by Bowser and Blue at the end of the speech. Traf girls and their fathers and guests were treated to a beautiful buffet breakfast lovingly prepared by volunteers.

Career Day Speakers

Old Girls:

Janet Chandler Allingham '68, Nurse (Independent Practice) Dr. Audrey Wise '73, Mental Health Professional, Private Practice Chris-Ann Nakis '74, Restauranteur and Philanthropist, Bâton Rouge Restaurant Natalie Dumoulin '83, Television Producer, PIXCOM Belinda Peres '85, Legal Counsel, Government of Canada Deborah Sarah Golberg '91, MD, Jewish General Hospital Debra Polomeno '91, CEGEP Counsellor/ Psychologist, Champlain College St. Lambert Micol Haimson '92, Banker, Scotiabank Rebecca Reich '94, Engineer, Mitacs Andrea Fox '95, Health Economist, Fox Consulting and Neomedis Katharine Marsden '98, Quebec Human Rights Committee, Government of Quebec Jody Cohen '04, Human Resources, Pharmascience

Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast

Volunteers play a vital role at Traf and they were honoured at a breakfast in May. Parents, alumnae and friends of the school were serenaded by members of Traf's choir and served a delicious meal. The best part?...they didn't have to cook or clean up! Principal Dowd welcomed the guests and thanked them for their commitment to the school. Outgoing Parent Committee Chair Shanly Dixon thanked the members of her committee and welcomed Giovanna Spadafora as incoming Chair.





Parents and Past Parents:

Carl Field, Project Manager, JPMA Global Inc. Ronald Gilbert, Film Producer, Mediabiz Lys Hugessen, President, GIV3 John McGaughey, Geophysicist, Mira GeoScience Astri Prugger, Fashion Designer, Astri Prugger Design

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FOND FAREWELLS

At the end of the 2012 school year, Traf bid a fond farewell to three beloved staff members. Principal Dowd paid tribute to them at the School Closing ceremonies. Here are some excerpts from his speech.



Murray Rosenhek is a man who thought he had retired once already, after a decades-long and stellar career as a band leader and music teacher in the LBPSB at both Beaconsfield and Macdonald High Schools. Eight years ago, Sheila Macleod needed a part-time colleague, and somehow lured Murray away from his retirement to work at Traf one

The unflappable Mr. Rosenhek backstage.

day per week. Murray, while working only part time, has made himself an important factor in the ongoing success of our music program. He is a great teacher, musically astute, consistent, rigorous in his demands, unflappable, and very amusing: the girls who love music, love Murray. Murray has been a tremendous asset to the school and a generous colleague to Sheila and others.



Mme Tawfik presenting the Gabrielle Tawfik Physics Prize to Jenna Downey. The newly designed trophy is a bust of Gaby's idol, Albert Einstein.

Mme Tawfik sitting on Einstein's lap on the Grade 11 trip to Washington.

Mme Gabrielle Tawfik began her Trafalgar career in the early 70's, and returned to Traf in the mid-1980's after living for several years in Toronto. And now, after only 32 years spanning five decades, she will take a well-earned retirement and move on to other projects, including her continuing role as doting grandmother. Gaby is a renaissance woman: she was Traf's first computer teacher in the 70's, and as she's fluent in that language, also taught French here for several years. Her passion, however, is teaching mathematics, science, and particularly physics. Mme Tawfik enjoys the elegance of equations, and exploring with students the relationships of matter, light, motion, time, and space. She is a demanding teacher whose students come to understand has great warmth and a very dry sense of humour. She treasures the photos she has kept of many of the classes she's taught, and takes great pride in the academic and career accomplishments of all her students, but particularly those who head out on a science or engineering track. In 1998, she was presented with a Prime Minister's Award of Teaching Excellence for her career achievements. This year, we have re-named the school's annual Physics Prize, awarded to a student who has shown consistent interest in and enthusiasm for this branch of science. It will henceforth be called the Gabrielle Tawfik Physics Prize.



Students know him as the ever-reliable Monsieur Martin, but he does have a first name. Christian Martin termine sa 35ième année de travail–et sa carrière-à Trafalgar. Il fut vraiment un pilier de l'école. D'une certaine façon, l'école est son école parce qu'il a construit beaucoup de meubles dans plusieurs locaux et il est fier de l'entretien de son édifice. Par exemple, M. Martin a dessiné et construit

Christian Martin looking relaxed on a visit to the school after his retirement.

l'alcôve au 2ème étage lui-même et plusieurs décors pour nos pièces de théâtre depuis des années. C'est un menuisier-ébéniste qui fabrique des lutrins de bois pour des clients exigeants. C'est un bon musicien qui joue de la guitare classique. Il est toujours disponible et serviable envers les parents, ses collègues, et l'école. Nous vous remercions, M. Martin, pour tout votre travail exceptionnel au service de l'école depuis ces 35 dernières années. Nous vous souhaitons bonne santé, bonne chance et bonne pêche pendant une longue retraite bien méritée.



Traf Grads 2012-Where They're Going...

Lara Antebi - Dawson College, Literature Nashtia Ashduzzaman - Marianopolis College, Commerce

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Tai Mackenzie - Marianopolis College, Arts & Letters Lee MacNeil - Marianopolis College, Psychology

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Megan Stewart-Waywell - Dawson College, Languages

Rachel Veenstra - Dawson College, Arts & Culture Myranda Vendittoli - Dawson College, Fine Arts Emily Zidel - Dawson College, Health Sciences

2012 Valedictorian Address

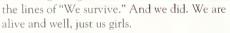
At Trafalgar, the selection of the graduating class valedictorian is accomplished through a vote of the senior class and faculty. To qualify for nomination, a student must be on our academic honour roll at the time of her election and have participated widely in the life of the school. Below are excerpts from Zoë Freedman's memorable and moving speech.

What is a Traf grad, they ask us? What do we have that others do not? We struggle to find a category into which we can place ourselves, but ultimately, no simple adjective can describe what all 43 of us share. This bond, this unquestionably unique connection, is not something that can be summed up in a fiveminute speech.

Upon walking into Traf for the first time, I can confidently say that none of us would have imagined that the day we would finally part ways would come so soon. It feels as though it has been ages since we came to school with our top buttons done up, and our socks pulled up all the way to our knees. But here we are, five years later, just as eager to begin this new part of our lives as we were then.

Our Traf experience is not something that can be condensed into a Doctor Seuss quote. Nor is it the only time in our lives when we get to find ourselves. It is, however, the place where we have spent the majority of our capricious teenage years, and the place where an entire spectrum of memories has been made. It is in times like these, when we look back on five years together, that we begin to fathom how special our time here has been.

Throughout our years we have been asked the same questions time and time again: "Aren't there, like, 12 people in your school?" "Yes, there are." "Isn't it really hot in that tie and blazer?" "Yes, it is." And my personal favorite: "What's it like without boys?" To which the answer is almost always something along



Over the next few years, everything will change. There are some people in this room who we will possibly never see again and some who will see every week for the next 10 years. But no matter how far away we travel, or how close to one another we stay, there is nothing that can replace what we have. Whether we become social activists in third world countries, or soccer moms in Beaconsfield, we have all come this far, and we have all done it together.

There is a reason all the stereotypical, hyperbolized valedictorian speeches sound the same. It is because they are true. Though we all, myself included, may roll our eyes at the prospect of having to listen to one more oversentimental speech about these defining years, the fact is, they were.

The group of girls that sit before me is composed of superstar athletes, musical prodigies, comedians, scientific masterminds, and natural-born leaders. But most importantly, incredibly well rounded, genuinely kind-hearted people- and I truly believe that we have Traf to thank for that. With graduating comes the great maturity to overcome any past differences, to accept the future changes that lie before us. To the younger girls who may not think that achieving such a relationship with your peers is possible, remember that when your five years are up, you will only have a handful of people who have shared them with you. Cherish these moments as much as you can, they will be over before you know it.

An infinite number of thank-yous are due today: To our teachers, committees, prefects, exchange leaders, coaches, volunteers in the uniform shop, and to our parents who have given us their utmost support during the inevitable ups and downs of high school.

To the class of 2012 - my girls. Let's be honest, here. These are some of the most precious moments, and though we may not have reached a point in our lives where we can fully grasp that idea, we are surely on the road to getting there. We are all Traf girls, we will always be Traf girls, and that is the one thing that will never change. If there were anybody for whom I would ever write a sappy speech, it would be you girls.



The Class of 2012 gather for the traditional "stair photo" at the St. James Club, venue of many Traf grads over the years.

SCHOLARSHIPS & PRIZES

SCHOLARSHIPS

THE JANE WIGHTMAN SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded for leadership and commitment to helping others. Michaela Field

THE BARBARA ARMBRUSTER SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to the top ranking Form I student who does not already hold a scholarship. Annabel Gutherz

THE JEAN ELIZABETH HARVIE SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to the top ranking Form II student who does not already hold a scholarship. Katie Neudorf Rotchin

THE GEORGINA ELOISE FAIRIE SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded for a positive contribution to the performing arts programme, concern for others, and good academic standing. Katie Adams

THE SARAH MARTIN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a student who is forthright, friendly, involved in school activities, and diligent in her studies. Kate Whitmore

kate whitmore

PRIZES

THE MARY ALISON CARMICHAEL PRIZE

Awarded to a Trafalgar girl in Form I or II who consistently displays integrity, decency and kindness in her dealings with others. Emma Mercier

THE JEAN E. HARVIE MEDAL

Awarded to a Form IV student for participation in school activities and high academic achievement. Elizabeth Pecoraro

THE JANE WEDDLE MEMORIAL TROPHY

Awarded to a Form IV student for courtesy, character, and academic achievement. Kate Whitmore

THE JANETTE C. DOUPE MEDAL

Awarded to a student who has brought honour to the School by an outstanding achievement. Cassandra Jones

THE LUCY BOX AWARD

Presented for sportsmanship, athletic ability, enthusiasm, and cooperation. Sarah-Amelia Maurovich

THE CUMMING PRIZE

Awarded for devotion to work, high academic achievement, a high standard of conduct, and contributions to the life of the School. Jenna Downey

THE FAIRLEY PRIZE

Awarded to a graduating student for consistent integrity, intelligence and kindness in facing challenges and fulfilling life's responsibilities in exemplary fashion. Lara Antebi

THE FORSYTH CUP

Awarded to the Senior girl who has made the most of her opportunities, showing herself friendly and helpful to all. Vanessa Moman

THE STUDENT LIFE AWARD

Presented by the school to a graduating student who has dedicated herself over her career at Trafalgar to spirited participation in student activities and leadership, thereby enhancing student life at Trafalgar. **Zoë Freedman**

THE NANCY MANDIGO COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AWARD

Awarded to a Senior student who is involved in service and philanthropic activities, and who through her example inspires community awareness and action in others. Nashtia Ashaduzzaman

TRAFALGAR CUP

Awarded to the most public spirited of the Senior girls who, at the same time, has maintained a high standard of conduct and shown devotion to her work.

Olivia Gutherz

THE GOVERNORS' MEDAL

Awarded to the girl who has maintained the highest cumulative academic average throughout her last two years of high school. Jenna Downey

THE GOVERNOR GENERAL'S MEDAL

Awarded to the girl who has maintained the highest academic average throughout her final year.

Megan Stewart-Waywell

NAMED ARTS & LANGUAGES AWARDS

The Berry McKenna Cup for Music, presented to a Senior student for participation in musical activities and sharing her talents with the school. Claire Kelly

The Ridolfi Art Award, presented to a student for excellence and enthusiasm in her artwork. Danielle Hussain

The Junior/Intermediate Creative Writing Prize, presented by the Trafalgar Old Girls' Association in memory of Miss Muriel Bedford-Jones. Katie Neudorf-Rotchin

The Bryan Prize for Creative Writing, presented by the Trafalgar Old Girls' Association. Nicola Sibthorpe

NAMED SOCIAL SCIENCES AND SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY & MATHEMATICS AWARDS

The Armbruster History Cup, presented to a student who has achieved a high academic standard in History. Megan Stewart Waywell

The Grant Technology Prize, presented to a student whose interest in digital and/or A-V technology has benefited the school and its students.

Emily Dias-Geoffroy

The Packer Cup for Mathematics, presented to a student for enthusiasm and participation in Mathematics. Weici Qin

The Gabrielle Tawfik Physics Prize, presented to a student who has shown consistent interest and enthusiasm in Physics. Jenna Downey

A complete listing of all academic prizes presented to the graduating class can be found on the school's website.

ANNUAL



Susan Stevenson, Trafalgar Ross Foundation Chair

Trafalgar Ross Foundation Susan Stevenson, Chair

Building endowment funds and keeping a watchful eye on the financial stability of Trafalgar School is the responsibility of the members of the Trafalgar-Ross Foundation. On their behalf, and as Chair of that Board, I extend thanks to all those who have donated this year to the Capital Campaign and Annual Fund. In this special 125th year it is wonderful to see the generous response from all sectors of the Trafalgar community and also from friends of the school. They all see the great value of a Trafalgar education for young women and support it with donations of all sizes. Even in these difficult financial times, our well-placed investments mean that with every dollar we can spare, we are able to give bursaries and scholarships to more than 20% of the student body. This helps to maintain a school that is vibrant and fulfilling – and exciting in this remarkable anniversary year. "Thank you" to all our generous donors!

Philanthropy at Trafalgar

Philanthropy is alive and well at Traf. Our goal is to increase the Annual Fund each year and to grow Trafalgar's endowment in order to continue to provide an enriched experience for all students. Your generosity allows Traf to do just that. Gifts to Trafalgar School and the Trafalgar Ross Foundation come in a variety of sizes, shapes and forms and benefit the students and the school in a variety of ways. The funds and appeals differ. Here is an overview:

ANNUAL FUND

This is an important source of revenue for the school providing a foundation for all that Traf does. Donations received in a given year are spent on Traf's greatest needs in that same year. The school counts on annual gifts in addition to support of other fundraising initiatives (e.g. 125: Anniversary Campaign). Appeals are sent by mail each fall, and via email and reminder letters throughout the year. Traf's web site has a page dedicated to the Annual Fund.

Where the Funds are Spent

The Trafalgar Ross Foundation holds these funds and disburses them as needed to the school. Funds raised in 2011-2012 enhanced curricular and co-curricular programs as well as need-based financial aid for qualifying students. The school's great strength is its diverse student population, a reality tied directly to our Bursary Program supporting over 20% of students. Requests for support always exceed our capacity to meet the need.

Special Event Contributions

Sponsorships and donations help underwrite school activities and events and are also considered as revenue for the Annual Fund. These include: Legacy Gifts, Father and Daughter Breakfast, Graduation 2012, Library Book Fairs, Mother and Daughter Barbecue, Lunch Program, Fundscrip, Recycled Computer Sales, Salmon Sale, Traf Souvenirs, Uniform Shop.

TRAFALGAR ENDOWMENT

In contrast to an Annual Fund where donations are spent within a given year, the objective of an endowment is to hold resources for future use. Endowed funds may be restricted for specific purposes such as capital improvements or bursaries. The trustees of the Trafalgar Ross Foundation manage Trafalgar School's endowment. Interest earned is distributed or re-invested as needed or as specified.

The 125th Anniversary Campaign

This special campaign with a $$3^{\circ}$ million goal to build bursary support was launched in October 2011. Typically, donors make a one-time gift to major campaigns like this in one payment or in installments of 1-5 years. This contribution is given in addition to the much-needed Annual Fund gift.

Trafalgar School Endowment 125th Anniversary Campaign



Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.

Bursaries make a difference! With thanks to Trafalgar's Bursary Fund

The late eighties were a time of economic instability in Montreal which significantly impacted my family. When my father was laid off for a long period of time, my parents realized that they could no longer afford to keep me at Trafalgar. My father went to meet with the principal to advise that they had reached the difficult decision of withdrawing me from school before my graduating year. It could not have been easy for him to have shared that news. The school informed him that financial support was available for students in situations just like mine and that I would be able to complete my education at Trafalgar. Immersed as I was in grad year activities and exam preparation, I was protected by my parents from knowing about their financial circumstances; it was not until years later that I learned of the school's generosity which ensured that I would graduate with my class and also have the experience of being

yearbook co-editor. I am deeply grateful to the Bursary Fund and to the donors for providing the means for students like me to have access to the excellent education that Trafalgar affords. I was so fortunate to have attended Trafalgar for all five of my high school years and to have graduated with the classmates who started with me. Without the bursary funds, that would not have been possible. I will be supporting the 125th Anniversary Campaign along with my classmates. Our goal is to establish a bursary for a student in need.



Dorothy Wong '87 Lawyer, Legal Services Branch, Ministry of Justice Attorney General (BC)

GIVING

Thanks to our Donors of 2011-2112

Each year in *The Victory* we acknowledge all of Traf's donors. Previous pages are dedicated to the 125th Anniversary Campaign (page 5) and to the 3rd Annual Trafalgar Open (pages 16 and 17). In the lists that follow, we thank all who contributed to the Annual Fund from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012.

Annual Fund – Leadership Giving

Trafalgar School honours those who have contributed at a leadership level in the past fiscal year. Donors are recognized for receipted gifts or gifts-inkind in the giving categories that follow.

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Thanks to our grads' parents for making their daughter's graduation celebration one to remember.

Parent Get-Togethers

Grade 7 – Simone Freedman and Robert Diner Grade 8 - Robin Levitt and Michael Suliteanu Grade 9 – Astri Prugger and John McGaughey Grade 10 – Jill Drummond and Philip Nickels Grade 11 – Fern and Ron Karpman

TOGA Chapter Reunions Ottawa - Jennifer Quaid '87

Montreal Reunion 2011 Thanks to those Old Girls who hosted their classmates over the reunion weekend.

The Board of Governors Geoffrey Wagner, Chairman



I write these comments having recently attended our 2012 graduation ceremonies. As in other years, this

joyous event marked a positive ending to the school year and to the high school education of the graduating class. For the graduates, it was a day of celebration that was perhaps tempered with the sadness of good-byes. It was also the first serious milestone they have achieved in their academic careers. But what comes after? Helping them prepare for the challenges of the next steps, CEGEP and university, is the role at which Trafalgar School excels. Benefitting from its small size, the attention given by dedicated teachers and staff, and the leadership of Principal Geoff Dowd, students mature from girls to young women and at the same time lay a solid academic foundation for whatever field they choose to pursue. My wife Terry and

I have two daughters who have recently graduated from this school and who have gone on to have successful academic careers; both credit Traf for having given them their head starts. Meanwhile, our third daughter continues to pursue her own path here at Traf.

This past year, the Advisory Board developed a new strategic plan for Trafalgar which identifies key strategic priorities for the next four years, including next year when we celebrate our 125th anniversary. One special component of these celebrations is honouring 125 women who have achieved significant success in a diversity of fields, just as Trafalgar gives all its grads a foundation to excel. This short list of 125 women exemplifies the wide variety of careers and accomplishments that they and many other Traf women have achieved, all of whom got their start here. Whether graduating in 1887, 2012, or points in between, Trafalgar women have made-and will continue to make-a positive difference in their city, their country, and their world.

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Grads of 2012 (L to R) Jessica Chetrit, Maria Caprio, Céleste Calder and Nashtia Ashaduzzaman prepare to process into the gymnasium for graduation ceremonies.

Upcoming Events

2012

Sept. 20:	12:00 p.m. and 2:30 p.m.	Girls for the Cure Walk and Mother & Daughter BBQ				
Sept. 29:	10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	Admissions Open House				
Oct. 19:		Trafalgar Day & 125th Homecoming Reunion Weekend Begins RSVP for events on page 7				
	9:00 a.m.	Coffee				
	10:00 a.m.	Trafalgar Ross Lecture - Sheila Fraser, Canada's first female Auditor General (2001-2011)				
	2:00 p.m.	Former and Current Staff Tea in the Trafalgar Library (former gymnasium)				
Oct. 20:	10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.	Traf, "Then and Now" self-guided tours of the school House Carnival for all generations!				
	6:00 p.m.	Cocktail and Dinner at the St. James Club				
		2012 Distinguished Alumna Award Presentation- Caryl Churchill '55				
		Celebration of the 125 Women of Trafalgar				
	10:30 p.m.	After-Party at Newtown on Crescent St.				
Oct. 21:	10:00 a.m.	Service at the Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul				
November:		Launch of the 2012 - 2013 Annual Giving Campaign				
Nov. 11:		Traf's Glee Team competes at Just for Kids Fundraiser				
Nov. 15:	7:00 p.m.	Junior Play, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory				
Nov. 21:	7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.	Father & Daughter Breakfast with guest speaker Sunniva Sorby '78,				
		team member of the historic Women's Antarctic Expedition.				
		Expedition leader of the King George Island crossing, the Greenland Icecap crossing and a veteran of numerous backcountry ski trips, kayak trips and climbs.				
Dec. 5:	4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Annual Holiday Concert at the Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul				

2013

January (dates TBA)	Victoria Chapter Reunion
Feb. 7:	House Play Competition
March 1:	Nomination Deadline - Distinguished Alumna Award 2013; Women of Trafalgar - Scholars & Explorers 2013
April 5:	Career Day
April 12:	TOGA Networking Lunch, Toronto
May 2:	125th Anniversary Gala
May 9 &10:	Senior Play
May 16	Spring Concert
May 30:	4th Annual Trafalgar Open Golf Tournament
June 6:	Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast
June 6:	Class of 2013 Welcome to TOGA
June 12:	TOGA Annual General Meeting



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